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TWO INDICTED IN METH CONSPIRACY, TRANSPORTING METH FROM TEXAS TO KC

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that two Texas residents were indicted by a federal grand jury today for their role in a methamphetamine conspiracy.

Rogelio S. Martinez, 26, of Dallas, Texas, and **Monica R. Rodriguez**, 30, of Waxahachie, Texas, were charged in a four-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Martinez** and **Rodriguez** conspired to possess with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of methamphetamine on Jan. 24, 2005.

Counts Two and Three of the federal indictment allege that **Martinez** and **Rodriguez** each possessed with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine on Jan. 24, 2005.

Count Four of the federal indictment alleges that **Martinez** and **Rodriguez** traveled across state lines from Texas to Kansas City to facilitate the unlawful activity of distributing methamphetamine on Jan. 24, 2005.

The charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations and not evidence of guilty. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney W. Brent Powell. The case was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration.

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